

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 190 - HB 340

February 16, 2023

SUMMARY OF BILL AS AMENDED (004052): Expands what constitutes a zero-tolerance offense to include if a student threatens mass violence on school property or at a school-related activity.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL AS AMENDED:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Tennessee Code Annotated § 49-6-3401(g)(1) establishes that violations of a zero-tolerance rule or policy must not be tolerated and violators shall receive certain, swift, and proportionate punishment.
- Tennessee Code Annotated § 49-6-3401(g)(5)(B) defines zero tolerance offense as an offense committed by a student requiring the student to be expelled from school for at least one calendar year that can only be modified on a case-by-case basis by the director of schools or the head of a charter school.
- Schools will be able to update their policies to comply with the expansion of zero-tolerance offenses within existing resources. Any fiscal impact is estimated to be not-significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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